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With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

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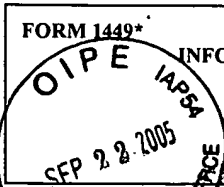
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS						
EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	Des. 427,561	07/04/2000	Haller et al.			
	D465,447 S	11/12/2002	Haller			
	D468,253 S	01/07/2003	Haller			
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)		
		"West Marine 1999 Power Master Catalog," page 162 and cover.
		"ADVENTURE" inflatable boat description, 4 pages (date and manufacturer unknown).
		"ADVENTURE LIGHT" inflatable boat description, 2 pages (date and manufacturer unknown).
		"Sevylor 2001 Season Catalog," pages 8-11 and cover.
		"Stearns 2003" Catalog, page 37 and cover.

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